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Division of Forensic Science IMPRESSION UNIT TRAINING MANUAL	Amendment Designator:	
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13.1 PURPOSE		
<p>13.1.1 To provide the student with invaluable training in the field of forensic identification which can only be gained outside the Division of Forensic Science. The exposure of the student to a variety of federal, state and local law enforcement agency identification personnel will afford the opportunity for an exchange of methods, techniques, and procedures in the forensic identification field.</p> <p>13.1.2 Attendance at an educational workshop of the Chesapeake Bay Division, International Association for Identification exposes the student examiner to presentations on a variety of subjects on the most current techniques of personal identification. In addition, the student examiner is afforded the opportunity to give a presentation to an assembly of Examiners on a related topic of the students choosing, which is an indispensable qualification in court.</p> <p>13.1.3 Attendance at an educational workshop of the International Association for Identification affords the student examiner an opportunity to discuss current topics of interest with Examiners from throughout the world at many round table seminars. Presentations detailing research on numerous topics of mutual interest are programmed daily. For the student examiner with a suitable research project there is the rare opportunity to make a presentation to an international audience.</p> <p>13.1.4 While membership in any professional association is not required for attendance, it is recommended for the value of continual information available through workshops and seminars as well as professional publications.</p>		
13.2 OBJECTIVES		
<p>13.2.1 The student will attain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Familiarization with a variety of methods, techniques and procedures relative to impression identification, but may be foreign to the methods studied and utilized previously by the student. Such information is often attainable only through instruction from other forensic identification training programs due to their specialized nature. • Training completion credentials that are traditionally accepted as prerequisite to attendance at advanced, specialized forensic training courses, and which will complement the Division of Forensic Science Impression Unit Training Program when the student presents his/her training and experience qualification questioning for testimony as an expert witness. 		
13.3 GOAL		
<p>13.3.1 Upon completion of this segment of training the student will have attained knowledge and understanding complementing his studies and experience gained in the Impression Unit. Areas of specialized training are the terminology and methods of fingerprint classification, courtroom demeanor and expert testimony. In the process, the student examiner will also have attained the basic foundation for acceptance in judicial proceedings as an expert witness in impression identification.</p>		
13.4 DISCUSSION		
<p>13.4.1 Presentations by Impression Examiners/Instructors at courses taught throughout the country as well as local and international training seminars and workshops of the International Association for Identification, complement the formal data put forth during the remainder of this course.</p> <p>13.4.2 Each training course has unique information not otherwise available and not practical for instruction at the Division of Forensic Science. Completion of the various courses, seminars and workshops is essential to development of the</p>		

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<p>total Impression Examiner as the various segments of training which can be learned at the Division of Forensic Science and should not be construed as waivable.</p> <p>13.5 EXAMINATION</p> <p>13.5.1 Completion of this segment of training will be accomplished as availability of each individual course, seminar or workshop permits. A copy of the course completion diploma or certificate will be provided the Training Officer at the end of each course and will become part of the student's training file. The aforementioned is in addition to the required after action report.</p> <p>13.6 REFERENCES FOR TOPIC XIII</p> <p>13.6.1 To be distributed as deemed appropriate by sponsoring agency or as designated by agency prior to beginning of course.</p>	